

### IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2-143 before calculating the filing fee for the present application.

The remaining claim for this application is listed below.

1. (Original) A method comprising:  
dividing a data word into data sub-words onto sub-word paths;  
allowing communication between the sub-word paths; and  
encoding the data sub-words into encoded data sub-words;  
such that an information content of the data word is spread between the encoded data sub-words  
and the weight of the encoded data sub-words.

Claims 2-143 (Canceled).